Anderson Elec., Inc. v. Ledbetter Erection Corp., 115 Ill. 2d 146, 153 (1986) (economic loss doctrine extended to the furnishing of services). 11

a. The Complaint Seeks Recovery of Damages Barred By the Economic Loss Doctrine.

The Complaint alleges that market timed trading causes dilution of fund assets and increased fund costs while allowing market timers to obtain "excess profits" ("a profitable trading strategy"). (Compl., ¶ 38-45). The Complaint alleges this "market timing strategy" is contrary to the expectations of plaintiff shareholders as to the "advantages of long term ownership of funds over direct investment...." (Compl., ¶ 17). Lost profits, inadequate value, and disappointed expectations are exactly the types of damages barred by the economic loss doctrine. Moorman, 91 Ill. 2d at 82. Thus, plaintiff Parthasarathy's state law claims against the Artisan Defendants, if they are not completely preempted by the ICA, may be pursued, if at all, only under contract law. See Anderson Elec., Inc., 115 Ill.2d at 153 (dismissal under the economic loss rule "is not conditioned upon the availability to the plaintiff of a contract or warranty remedy").

Wisconsin Courts similarly have applied that state's economic loss doctrine to bar recovery in tort for purely economic injury. See, e.g., Sunnyslope Grading Inc. v. Miller, Bradford & Risberg, Inc., 437 N.W.2d 213, 217-218 (Wis. 1989) (first implementing economic loss doctrine as between commercial parties in privity); Daanen & Janssen, Inc. v. Cedarapids, Inc., 573 N.W.2d 842, 846 (Wis. 1997) (extending economic loss doctrine to commercial parties not in privity); Gen. Cas. Co. v. Ford Motor Co., 592 N.W.2d 198, 198-199 (Wis. 1999) (further extending economic loss doctrine to consumer transactions); Biese v. Parker Coatings, Inc., 588 N.W.2d 312, 316-17 (Wis. Ct. App. 1998) (recovery on plaintiff's claim for negligent instruction, guidance and advice provided in conjunction with materials for installation of flooring precluded by economic loss doctrine); Prent Corp. v. Martek Holdings, Inc., 618 N.W.2d 201, 207 (Wis. Ct. App. 2000) (barring recovery for alleged negligent representation in conjunction with design and sale of customized software under economic loss doctrine). The Wisconsin Supreme Court has not decided the question of whether that state's economic loss doctrine applies to claims arising exclusively out of the provision of services. Barr v. Premier Prod. Co., Inc., No. 02-0688, 2002 WL 31749954, *2 (Wis. App. Ct. Dec. 10, 2002).

b. The Exceptions to the Economic Loss Doctrine Do Not Apply to Plaintiff Parthasarathy's Claims.

The Illinois Supreme Court, in Moorman and subsequent decisions, has recognized several limited exceptions to the economic loss doctrine. See, e.g., Congregation of the Passion Holy Cross Province v. Touche Ross & Co., 159 Ill. 2d 137, 164 (1994) (accountants); Collins v. Reynard, 154 Ill. 2d 48, 56 (1992) (attorneys). However, there is no reported case establishing an exception to the Moorman doctrine for claims against a mutual fund or its investment adviser, and in cases involving professionals other than attorneys and accountants, the Illinois Supreme Court has refused to carve out exceptions to the economic loss doctrine. See, e.g., 2314 Lincoln Park West, 136 Ill. 2d at 312 (architect); Firemen's Fund Ins. Co., 176 Ill. 2d at 168-70 (engineer). See also Bulk Serv. Corp. v. Buick, 203 Ill. App. 3d 739 (1st Dist. 1990) (insurance consultant).

The Northern District of Illinois, applying Illinois law, considered the Moorman issue in the context of negligence claims against an underwriter of securities. Sliter v. Crittenden Roth, Inc., No. 00 C 3845, 2000 WL 1745184, *6 (N.D. Ill. Nov. 27, 2000). In Sliter, the defendant underwriter was hired to assist in the pricing of the defendant corporation's shares for an initial public offering. In dismissing the negligence claim, the court concluded that Illinois state courts would not extend the professional malpractice exception to the professional obligations of an underwriter of securities. *Id.* at *6. See also Ohio Cas. Ins. Co. v. Bank One, No. 95 C 6613, 1996 WL 507292, *10 (N.D. Ill. Sept. 5, 1996) (court distinguished bank-customer relationship from traditional duties in accountant-client relationship and held negligence claims barred); Johnson v. Mut. Sav. Bank, No. 95 C 2379, 1996 WL 79414, *5 (N.D. Ill. Feb. 21, 1996) (shareholder's claim that bank breached duty of care to pursue stated investment policy dismissed).

In this case, plaintiff Parthasarathy seeks recovery of economic loss allegedly resulting from what he claims was negligence in the valuation of portfolio securities. That recovery is not available under plaintiff's tort-based theories.

6. Count II Fails to Plead Any Facts Necessary to State a "Willful And Wanton" Claim.

In Count II, plaintiff Parthasarathy seeks punitive damages for alleged "willful[] and wanton []" breach of duties. (Compl., ¶ 64) But a count for willful and wanton misconduct must plead facts demonstrating that the Artisan Defendants acted either with intentional or conscious disregard of their duty to plaintiff Parthasarathy. Oravek v. Cmty. Sch. Dist. 146, 264 III. App. 3d 895, 898 (1st Dist. 1994). A complaint which, as here, simply contains "bare characterization[s]" without supporting factual allegations of willful conduct is properly stricken. Id.; Kraft Chem. Co. v. III. Bell Tel. Co., 240 III. App. 3d 192, 198 (1st Dist. 1993) (plaintiff failed to state a claim where complaint did not contain sufficient facts to demonstrate defendants' acts were deliberate).

Here, plaintiff has merely salted his breach of duty allegations with the words "willfully and wantonly." This is legally insufficient. Pendowski v. Patent Scaffolding Co., 89 Ill. App. 3d 484, 492 (1st Dist. 1980) (holding that plaintiff's count for willful and wanton misconduct failed to state a cause of action because the addition of the language "conscious indifference" is too broad and "fails to sufficiently correlate [the defendants] state of mind to a specific recognizable duty owed to [plaintiff]"). See also Oravek, 264 Ill. App. 3d at 898 (plaintiff's mere characterization of acts or omissions as "willful and wanton" was insufficient to establish the conscious disregard necessary to support a claim); Wait v. First Midwest Bank/Danville, 142 Ill. App. 3d 703, 710 (4th Dist. 1986) ("[t]he mere addition of the phrase 'willful and wanton'...is insufficient to allege reckless misconduct necessary to support an allowance of punitive

damages); <u>Plocher v. City of Highland</u>, 59 Ill. App. 3d 697, 700-01 (5th Dist. 1978) (plaintiff's count for willful and wanton conduct dismissed because plaintiff's allegations that defendant's conduct was "willful, wanton and malicious" failed to state a claim). "A complaint may not rest upon conclusions of fact unsupported by allegations of specific facts from which conclusions may be drawn." <u>Plocher</u>, 59 Ill. App. 3d at 701. No such facts are pleaded by plaintiff Parthasarathy in Count II of the Complaint, and that count therefore must be dismissed.

CONCLUSION

For all the foregoing reasons, defendants Artisan Funds, Inc. and Artisan Partners Limited Partnership respectfully request that the Complaint be dismissed as to them for lack of personal jurisdiction. In the alternative, the Artisan Defendants respectfully request that the Complaint be stricken and dismissed as legally insufficient, and for misjoinder.

Dated: March 11, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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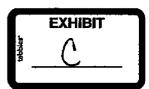
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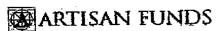
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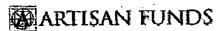
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

T.K. PARTHASARATHY, EDMUND WOODBURY, STUART ALLEN SMITH, and SHARON SMITH, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,)))
Plaintiffs,)
VS.) Cause No. 03-L-1253
T. Rowe Price International Funds, Inc.,)
a corporation, T. Rowe Price International,)
INC., ARTISAN FUNDS, INC., a corporation,)
ARTISAN PARTNERS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, and)
AIM INTERNATIONAL FUNDS, INC., a corporation,)
AIM Advisors, Inc.,)
Defendants.)

MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE

COMES NOW the law firm of KOREIN TILLERY, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 707 and respectfully moves this Court to allow Francis J. Blaint, Jr. and Andy Friedman admission pro hac vice to represent Plaintiff, T.K. Parthasarathy, Edmund Woodbury, Stuart Allen Smith, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated, and in support of this motion, states as follows:

- 1. Francis J. Blaint, Jr. and Andy Friedman are attorneys in the law firm of Bonnett, Fairbourn, Friedman & Balint, P.C., located at 2901 N. Central Avenue, Ste. 1000, Phoenix, Arizona 85012.
- 2. Francis J. Blaint, Jr. and Andy Friedman are licensed to practice in the State of Arizona.
- 3. Francis J. Blaint, Jr. and Andy Friedman have not been subject to discipline in any court or jurisdiction. The attorneys of KOREIN TILLERY, including Eugene Barash, are Illinois licensed attorneys and will continue to serve as counsel for the Plaintiff in this action.
 - 4. Francis J. Blaint, Jr. and Andy Friedman do not wish to be admitted generally dipt

for the purpose of this case only.

WHEREFORE, pursuant to Illinois Supreme Court Rule 707, KOREIN TILLERY respectfully request that Francis J. Blaint, Jr. and Andy Friedman be admitted to the Circuit Court of the Third Judicial Circuit, Madison County, Illinois pro hac vice in the matter of T.K. Parthasarathy, Edmund Woodbury, Stuart Allen Smith and Sharon Smith, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated v. T. Rowe Price International Funds, Inc., a corporation, T. Rowe Price International, Inc., Artisan Funds, Inc., a corporation, Artisan Partners Limited Partnership, and AIM International Funds, Inc., a corporation, AIM Advisors, Inc., Cause No. 03-L-1253.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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T. ROWE PRICE INTERNATIONAL FUNDS, INC., a corporation, T. ROWE PRICE INTERNATIONAL, INC., ARTISAN FUNDS, INC., a corporation, ARTISAN PARTNERS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, and AIM INTERNATIONAL FUNDS, INC., a corporation, AIM ADVISORS, INC., Defendants.))))))))
ORDER APPROVING MOTION FO	OR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE
THIS COURT, being fully advised in the pr	emises, hereby grants the Motion for Admission
Pro Hac Vice to allow Francis J. Blaint, Jr. an	nd Andy Friedman admission pro hac vice to
represent Plaintiff, T.K. Parthasarathy, Edmund W	oodbury, Stuart Allen Smith, individually and
on behalf of all others similarly situated, be admi	tted for the purpose of this case only.
Dated this day of	_, 2004.
	Judge Matoesian

In the Circuit Court
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS



T.K. PARTHASARATHY, EDMUND WOODBURY, STUART ALLEN SMITH, and SHARON SMITH, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,) CLERK OF CIRCUIT COUR) MADISON COUNTY, ILLIN.
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ORDER APPROVING MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE

THIS COURT, being fully advised in the premises, hereby grants the Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice to allow *Francis J. Blaint, Jr. and Andy Friedman* admission *pro hac vice* to represent Plaintiff, *T.K. Parthasarathy, Edmund Woodbury, Stuart Allen Smith, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated*, be admitted for the purpose of this case only.

Dated this 17 day of March 2004.

Defendants.

Judge Matoesian

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> IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

T.K. PARTHASARATHY, EDMUND WOODBURY, STUART ALLEN SMITH, and SHARON SMITH, Individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated.

v.

Plaintiffs,

No. 03-L-1253

T. ROWE PRICE INTERNATIONAL FUNDS, INC., a corporation, T. ROWE PRICE INTERNATIONAL, INC., ARTISAN FUNDS, INC., a corporation, ARTISAN PARTNERS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, AIM INTERNATIONAL FUNDS, INC., a corporation, and AIM ADVISORS, INC.

Defendants.

JURY DEMAND

NOW COMES the Defendant, ARTISAN FUNDS, INC., by its counsel, HEYL, ROYSTER,

VOELKER & ALLEN, and hereby demands trial by jury in this cause.

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Plaintiffs,)
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ARTISAN PARTNERS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, and	· ·
AIM INTERNATIONAL FUNDS, INC., a corporation,	?
AIM Advisors, Inc.,	?
Defendants.)
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MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION OF JUDGE

COMES NOW Plaintiff, STUART ALLEN SMITH, by and through his undersigned counsel, in accordance with 7235 ILCS 5/2-1001, and move this Court for a substitution of judge as a matter of right, and in support of his motion, state as follows:

- 1. This matter was assigned to the Honorable Andreas Matoesian.
- 2. 735 ILCS 5/2-1001 provides that "[e]ach party shall be entitled to one substitution of judge without cause as a matter of right."
- 3. A trial court must grant a party's motion for substitution of judge as right "if the motion is presented before trial or hearing begins and before the judge to whom it is presented has ruled on any substantial issue in the case." Rodisch v. Commacho-Esparza, 722 N.E.2d 326, 329 (Ill.App. 1999). When a motion meets these minimal requirements, the parties right to substitution of judge without cause is absolute. Id.

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STUART ALLEN SMITH's first request for substitution of judge in this case.

WHEREFORE Plaintiff STUART ALLEN SMITH respectfully moves this Court to grant his Motion for Substitution of Judge.

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The undersigned hereby certifies that a true copy of Plaintiff's Motion for Substitution of Judge was served upon the counsel of record listed below by enclosing same in an envelope, with postage fully prepaid, and deposited in a U.S. Mail Box this 18th day of March, 2004.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

T.K. PARTHASARATHY, EDMUND WOODBURY, STUART ALLEN SMITH, and SHARON SMITH, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,))))		
Plaintiffs,)		
vs.) Cause No. 03-L-1253		
T. Rowe Price International Funds, Inc., a corporation, T. Rowe Price International, Inc., Artisan Funds, Inc., a corporation, Artisan Partners Limited Partnership, and AIM International Funds, Inc., a corporation, AIM Advisors, Inc., Defendants.))))))))))))		
<u>ORDER</u>			
This cause coming on for hearing on Plaintiff's Motion for Substitution of Judge and the Court			
being fully advised in the premises, hereby grants Plaintiff's Motion pursuant to 7235 ILCS			
5/2-1001 as a matter of right. Cause sent to Chief Judge for reassignment.			
DATED:			
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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STUART ALLEN SMITH, and SHARON SMITH, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,) CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT #2 THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Plaintiffs,)
vs.) Cause No. 03-L-1253
T. ROWE PRICE INTERNATIONAL FUNDS, INC., a corporation, T. ROWE PRICE INTERNATIONAL,)
INC., ARTISAN FUNDS, INC., a corporation, ARTISAN PARTNERS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, and)
AIM INTERNATIONAL FUNDS, INC., a corporation,)
AIM Advisors, Inc.,)
Defendants.)

ORDER

This cause coming on for hearing on Plaintiff's Motion for Substitution of Judge and the Court being fully advised in the premises, hereby grants Plaintiff's Motion pursuant to 7235 ILCS 5/2-1001 as a matter of right. Cause sent to Chief Judge for reassignment.

DATED: 3/22/04

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T.K. PARTHASARTHY, et al.,)	
Plaintiffs,)	
vs.) Case No: 03-L-12:	53
T. ROWE PRICE INTERNATIONAL FUNDS, INC., et al.,)))	
Defendants.)	

DEFENDANTS' REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL TIME

Defendants T. Rowe Price International Funds, Inc., T. Rowe Price International, Inc., AIM International Funds, Inc. and AIM Advisors, Inc. respectfully request additional time to file their answer or other responsive pleading(s) in the above-referenced matter, up to and including such later date as is determined by and mutually agreeable to counsel for the parties. Plaintiffs' counsel consents to such an extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS



T.K. Parthasarathy, et al,) CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT #13 THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MADISON COURTS
Plaintiff,) MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
vs.) Case No. 03-L-1253
T. Rowe Price International Funds, Inc.,, et al,)))
Defendants,	ý)

ORDER

The above-styled case is hereby assigned to the Honorable George Moran for setting and disposition.

The case was previously assigned to the Honorable A. A. Matoesian.

Clerk to send copies of this Order to the newly assigned Judge, to counsel of

record herein, and to all unrepresented parties, if any.

DATE: April 2, 2004

Edward C. Ferguson Chief Judge

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MADISON COUNTY STATE OF ILLINOIS

T.K. PARTHASARTHY, et al.,)	
Plaintiffs,)	
vs.)	Case No: 03-L-1253
T. ROWE PRICE INTERNATIONAL FUNDS, INC., et al.,)))	
Defendants.)	

DEFENDANT T. ROWE PRICE INTERNATIONAL FUNDS, INC.'S MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION OF JUDGE

Defendant T. Rowe Price International Funds, Inc., pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-1001(a)(2), respectively moves for a substitution of judge from the present assignment of the Honorable George J. Moran. In support of this Motion, T. Rowe Price International Funds, Inc. states the following:

- On March 22, 2004, Judge A.A. Matoesian entered an Order granting Plaintiff's
 Motion for Substitution of Judge, and sent this matter to the Chief Judge for reassignment. This
 matter has since been reassigned to the Honorable George J. Moran.
- 2. Section 5/2-1001 of the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure, subsection (a)(2)(i), provides that "[e]ach party shall be entitled to one substitution of judge without cause as a matter of right." 735 ILCS 5/2-1001(a)(2)(i).
- 3. The right to the substitution of a judge is absolute if presented before the judge has ruled on any substantial issues. 735 ILCS 5/2-1001(a)(2)(ii).
- 4. Judge Moran, to whom this matter was assigned only recently, has not ruled upon any substantial issue in this case to date.
 - 5. Pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-1001(a)(2), T. Rowe Price International Funds, Inc. is

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entitled, as a matter of right, to the substitution of judge sought by this motion.

WHEREFORE, Defendant T. Rowe Price International Funds, Inc. respectfully prays for a substitution of judge in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS		
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Plaintiffs,	MACISCAN COLLABORATION	
v.) Cause No. 03-L-1253	
T. ROWE PRICE INTERNATIONAL FUNDS, INC., et al.,)))	
Defendants.	<u>´</u>	

THE ARTISAN DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF PARTIAL WITHDRAWAL

Defendants Artisan Funds, Inc. ("Artisan Funds") and Artisan Partners Limited Partnership ("Artisan Partners") (together, the "Artisan Defendants"), by and through their undersigned counsel, hereby give notice to the Court and the parties of their withdrawal of those portions of The Artisan Defendants' Motions to Dismiss (1) Pursuant to Section 5/2-301 for Lack of Personal Jurisdiction, and (2), in the Alternative, to Strike and Dismiss Pursuant to Section 5/2-615, filed herein on March 1, 2004, and of the Memorandum in Support of the Artisan Defendants' Motions (1) Pursuant to Section 2-301 of the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure to Dismiss for Lack of Personal Jurisdiction, and (2) in the Alternative, to Strike and Dismiss Pursuant to Section 2-615 of the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure, filed herein on March 12, 2004, requesting dismissal of plaintiffs' action pursuant to Section 2-301 of the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure for lack of personal jurisdiction. Specifically, the Artisan Defendants withdraw: (1) Section II A (¶¶ 3-7) of their motion, including the March 1, 2004 Affidavit of Janet D. Olsen incorporated therein; and (2) as to their memorandum in support, the first full paragraph in Section I C (appearing at p. 5) and Section II A (appearing at pp. 7-19).

Dated: April 26, 2004

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT APR 98 MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOISCLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT #14

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tiffs,

T.K. PARTHASARTHY, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

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T. ROWE PRICE INTERNATIONAL FUNDS, INC., et al.,

Defendants.

ORDER

Defendant T. Rowe Price International Funds' Motion for Substitution of Judge filed April 22, 2004 is hereby allowed. File to be sent to the Chief Judge for reassignment.

Clerk to send copy of this Order to attorneys of record.

Date: 4-28-04

GEORGE J. MORE CIRCUIT JUDGE

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T.K. Parthasarathy, et al,) CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT #13 THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
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vs.) Case No. 03-L-1253
T. Rowe Price International Funds, et al,))
Defendants,))

ORDER

The above-styled case is hereby assigned to the Honorable Nicholas Byron for setting and disposition.

The case was previously assigned to the Honorable George Moran.

Clerk to send copies of this Order to the newly assigned Judge, to counsel of record herein, and to all unrepresented parties, if any.

DATE: May 3, 2004

Edward C. Ferguson Chief Judge

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